# IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re:	Chapter 11
WINC, INC., et al., <sup>1</sup>	Case No. 22-11238 (LSS)
Debtors.	(Joint Administration Requested)

# DEBTORS' APPLICATION FOR ENTRY OF AN ORDER APPOINTING EPIQ CORPORATE RESTRUCTURING, LLC AS CLAIMS AND NOTICING AGENT EFFECTIVE AS OF THE PETITION DATE

The above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors") hereby submit this application (this "Section 156(c) Application"), pursuant to section 156(c) of title 28 of the United States Code, section 105(a) of title 11 of the United States Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101–1532 (the "Bankruptcy Code"), Rule 2002 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules"), and Rule 2002-1(f) of the Local Rules of Bankruptcy Practice and Procedure of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Local Rules"), seeking entry of an order, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "Proposed Order"), appointing Epiq Corporate Restructuring, LLC ("Epiq") as the claims and noticing agent in the Chapter 11 Cases effective as of the Petition Date (as defined below). In support of this Section 156(c) Application, the Debtors rely upon (i) the Declaration of Brian Hunt in Support of Debtors' Application for Entry of Order Appointing Epiq Corporate Restructuring, LLC as Claims and Noticing Agent Effective as of Petition Date (the "Hunt Declaration"), a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit B, and (ii) the Declaration of Carol Brault in Support of Debtors'

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Chapter 11 Petitions and First Day Pleadings (the "First Day Declaration"),<sup>2</sup> filed contemporaneously herewith. In further support of this Section 156(c) Application, the Debtors respectfully state as follows:

### **JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

- 1. The Court has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334, and the *Amended Standing Order of Reference* from the United States District Court for the District of Delaware dated as of February 29, 2012. This is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b), and pursuant to Local Rule 9013-1(f), the Debtors consent to the entry of a final order by the Court in connection with this Motion to the extent that it is later determined that the Court, absent consent of the parties, cannot enter final orders or judgments in connection herewith consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution. Venue is proper in the Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.
- 2. The statutory and legal predicates for the relief sought herein are 28 U.S.C. § 156(c), section 105(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rule 2002, Local Rule 2002-1(f), and the Court's *Protocol for the Employment of Claims and Noticing Agents under 28 U.S.C.* § 156(c), instituted by the Office of the Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court (the "Clerk") on February 1, 2012 (the "Claims Agent Protocol").

### **BACKGROUND**

3. On the date hereof (the "<u>Petition Date</u>"), each of the Debtors commenced a voluntary case under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code (collectively the "<u>Chapter 11 Cases</u>"). The Debtors are authorized to operate their business and manage their properties as debtors in

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the First Day Declaration.

possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code. No official committees have been appointed in the Chapter 11 Cases and no request has been made for the appointment of a trustee or examiner.

4. Additional information regarding the Debtors' businesses, capital structure, and the circumstances leading to the filing of the Chapter 11 Cases is set forth in the First Day Declaration.

### **RELIEF REQUESTED**

- 5. By this Section 156(c) Application, the Debtors seek entry of the Proposed Order appointing Epiq, effective as of the Petition Date, to act as the claims and noticing agent in the Chapter 11 Cases (the "Claims and Noticing Agent") to assume full responsibility for the distribution of notices and the maintenance, processing, and docketing of proofs of claim filed in the Chapter 11 Cases. The terms of Epiq's proposed retention are set forth in that certain *Standard Services Agreement* between Epiq and the Debtors, dated as of November 14, 2022 (the "Retention Agreement"), 3 a copy of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit C**. Notwithstanding the terms of the Retention Agreement, the Debtors are seeking to retain Epiq solely on the terms set forth in this Section 156(c) Application and the Proposed Order.
- 6. By separate application, the Debtors will seek authorization to retain and employ Epiq as administrative advisor in the Chapter 11 Cases, pursuant to section 327(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, as the administration of the Chapter 11 Cases may require Epiq to perform duties outside the scope of 28 U.S.C. § 156(c).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Epiq has agreed to provide claims and noticing services to the Debtors at the rates stated on the pricing schedule attached to the Retention Agreement. Epiq may provide such services at the regularly scheduled rates to counsel for any official committee appointed in the Chapter 11 Cases, and any other party in interest upon request.

### EPIQ'S QUALIFICATIONS AND NEED FOR EPIQ'S SERVICES

- 7. Epiq is one of the country's leading chapter 11 administrators, with significant expertise in noticing, claims administration, soliciting, balloting, and facilitating other administrative aspects of chapter 11 cases. Epiq has acted as the claims and noticing agent in numerous recent cases of varying size and complexity, including a number of recent cases filed in this District.<sup>4</sup>
- 8. The appointment of Epiq as the Claims and Noticing Agent in the Chapter 11 Cases will expedite the distribution of notices and the processing of claims, facilitate other administrative aspects of the Chapter 11 Cases, and relieve the Clerk of these administrative burdens and thus serve to maximize the value of the Debtors' estates for all stakeholders.

### **SCOPE OF SERVICES**

- 9. This Section 156(c) Application pertains only to the services to be performed by Epiq under the Clerk's delegation of duties permitted by 28 U.S.C. § 156(c) and Local Rule 2002-1(f). Any services to be performed by Epiq that are set forth in the Retention Agreement but outside of the scope of 28 U.S.C. § 156(c) are not covered by this Section 156(c) Application or by the Proposed Order. Specifically, Epiq will perform the following tasks in its role as the Claims and Noticing Agent, as well as all quality control relating thereto (collectively, the "Claims and Noticing Services"), to the extent requested by the Debtors:
  - a. Prepare and serve required notices and documents in the Chapter 11 Cases in accordance with the Bankruptcy Code and the Bankruptcy Rules in the form and manner directed by the Debtors and/or the Court, including, if

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See, e.g., In re Teligent, Inc., No. 21-11332 (KBO) (Bankr. D. Del.); Southland Royalty Co. LLC, No. 20-10158 (KBO) (Bankr. D. Del.); In re RUI Holding Corp., No. 19-11509, (JTD) (Bankr. D. Del.); In re THG Holdings LLC, No. 19-11689 (JTD) (Bankr. D. Del.); In re HDR Holding, Inc., No. 19-11396 (MFW) (Bankr. D. Del.); In re Joerns WoundCo Holdings, Inc., No. 19-11401 (JTD) (Bankr. D. Del.); In re Insys Therapeutics, Inc., No. 19-11292 (KG) (Bankr. D. Del.); In re Kona Grill, Inc., No. 19-10953 (CSS) (Bankr. D. Del.); In re WMC Mortgage, LLC, No. 19-10879 (CSS) (Bankr. D. Del.); In re F+W Media, Inc., No. 19-10479 (KG) (Bankr. D. Del.); In re Avadel Specialty Pharms., LLC, No. 19-10248 (CSS) (Bankr. D. Del.).

applicable: (i) notice of the commencement of the Chapter 11 Cases and the initial meeting of creditors under section 341(a) of the Bankruptcy Code (as applicable); (ii) notices of transfers of claims; (iii) notices of objections to claims and objections to transfers of claims; (iv) notice of any auction or sale proceeding; (v) notices of any hearings on a disclosure statement and confirmation of a plan or plans of reorganization, including under Bankruptcy Rule 3017(d); (vi) notice of the effective date of any plan or plans; and (vii) all other notices, orders, pleadings, publications, and other documents as the Debtors or the Court may deem necessary or appropriate for an orderly administration of the Chapter 11 Cases;

- b. If applicable, maintain an official copy of the Debtors' schedules of assets and liabilities and statements of financial affairs listing the Debtors' known creditors and the amounts owed thereto;
- c. Maintain (i) a list of all potential creditors, equity holders, and other parties in interest and (ii) a "core" mailing list consisting of all parties described in Bankruptcy Rules 2002(i), (j), and (k) and those parties that have filed a notice of appearance pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9010; update said lists and make said lists available upon request by a party in interest or the Clerk (within forty-eight (48) hours);
- d. Furnish a notice to all potential creditors of the last date for the filing of proofs of claim and a form for the filing of a proof of claim;
- e. Maintain a post office box or address for the purpose of receiving claims and returned mail, and process all mail received;
- f. For all notices, motions, orders, and other pleadings or documents served, prepare and file or caused to be filed with the Clerk an affidavit or certificate of service within seven (7) business days of service that includes (i) either a copy of the notice served or the docket number(s) and title(s) of the pleading(s) served; (ii) a list of persons to whom it was mailed (in alphabetical order) with their addresses; (iii) the manner of service; and (iv) the date served;
- g. Process all proofs of claim received, including those received by the Clerk, check said processing for accuracy, and maintain the original proofs of claim in a secure area;
- h. Maintain an electronic platform for purposes of filing proofs of claim;
- i. Maintain the official claims register for the Debtors (the "<u>Claims Register</u>") on behalf of the Clerk; upon the Clerk's request, provide the Clerk with a certified, duplicate unofficial Claims Register; and specify in the Claims Register the following information for each claim docketed: (i) the claim number assigned; (ii) the date received; (iii) the name and address of the claimant and agent, if applicable, who filed the claim; (iv) the amount

- asserted; (v) the asserted classification(s) of the claim (e.g., secured, unsecured, priority, etc.); and (vi) any disposition of the claim;
- j. Provide public access to the Claims Register, including complete proofs of claim with attachments, if any, without charge;
- k. Implement necessary security measures to ensure the completeness and integrity of the Claims Register and the safekeeping of the original proofs of claim;
- 1. Record all transfers of claims and provide any notices of such transfers as required by Bankruptcy Rule 3001(e);
- m. File a quarterly updated claims register with the Court in alphabetical and numerical order. If there has been no claims activity, file a Certification of No Claim Activity.
- n. Relocate, by messenger or overnight delivery, all of the Court-filed proofs of claim to Epiq's offices, not less than weekly;
- o. Upon completion of the docketing process for all claims received to date for each Case, turn over to the Clerk copies of the Claims Register for the Clerk's review (upon the Clerk's request);
- p. Monitor the Court's docket for all notices of appearance, address changes, and claims-related pleadings and orders filed and make necessary notations on and/or changes to the Claims Register and any service or mailing lists, including to identify and eliminate duplicate names and addresses from such lists;
- q. Identify and correct any incomplete or incorrect addresses in any mailing or service lists;
- r. Assist in the dissemination of information to the public and respond to requests for administrative information regarding the Chapter 11 Cases as directed by the Debtors or the Court, including through the use of a case website and/or call center;
- s. Monitor the Court's docket in the Chapter 11 Cases and, when filings are made in error or containing errors, alert the filing party of such error and work with such party to correct any such error;
- t. If the Chapter 11 Cases are converted to cases under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code, contact the Clerk's office within three (3) days of the notice to Epiq of entry of the order converting the Chapter 11 Cases;
- u. Thirty (30) days prior to the close of the Chapter 11 Cases, to the extent practicable, request that the Debtors submit to the Court a proposed order

- dismissing Epiq as Claims and Noticing Agent and terminating its services in such capacity upon completion of its duties and responsibilities and upon the closing of the Chapter 11 Cases;
- v. Within fourteen (14) days of notice to Epiq of entry of an order dismissing or converting the Chapter 11 Cases or within twenty-eight (28) days of entry of a final decree closing the Chapter 11 Cases, (a) forward to the Clerk an electronic version of all imaged claims; (b) upload the creditor mailing list into CM/ECF; and (c) docket a final claims register. If the Chapter 11 Cases are jointly-administered, one combined register shall be docketed in the lead case containing claims of all the chapter 11 cases; and
- w. At the close of the Chapter 11 Cases, (i) box and transport all original documents, in proper format, as provided by the Clerk's office, to (A) the Philadelphia Federal Records Center, 14470 Townsend Road, Philadelphia, PA 19154-1096 or (B) any other location requested by the Clerk's office; and (ii) docket a completed SF-135 Form indicating the accession and location numbers of the archived claims.
- 10. The Claims Register shall be open to the public for examination without charge during regular business hours and on a case-specific website maintained by Epiq.

### **COMPENSATION**

- 11. The Debtors are proposing to compensate Epiq for the Claims and Noticing Services set forth above in accordance with the pricing schedule attached to the Retention Agreement. The Debtors respectfully request that the undisputed fees and expenses incurred by Epiq in the performance of the Claims and Noticing Services be treated as administrative expenses of the Debtors' chapter 11 estates pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 156(c) and 11 U.S.C. § 503(b)(l)(A) and be paid in the ordinary course of business without further application to or order of the Court.
- 12. Epiq agrees to maintain records of all Claims and Noticing Services, including dates, categories of Claims and Noticing Services, fees charged, and expenses incurred, and to serve monthly invoices on the Debtors, the Office of the United States Trustee, counsel for the Debtors, counsel for any statutory committee, and any party in interest that specifically requests service of the monthly invoices. If any dispute arises relating to the Retention Agreement or

monthly invoices, the parties shall meet and confer in an attempt to resolve the dispute. If resolution is not achieved, the parties may seek resolution of the matter from the Court.

- 13. Before the Petition Date, the Debtors provided Epiq a retainer in the amount of \$10,000.00. Epiq seeks to first apply the retainer to all prepetition invoices, which retainer shall be replenished to the original retainer amount of \$10,000.00, and thereafter, to hold its retainer under the Engagement Agreement during the Chapter 11 Cases as security for payment of Epiq's final invoice for services rendered and expenses incurred under the Engagement Agreement.
- 14. Additionally, under the terms of the Retention Agreement, the Debtors have agreed to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless Epiq and its members, directors, officers, employees, representatives, affiliates, consultants, subcontractors, and agents under certain circumstances specified in the Retention Agreement, except in circumstances resulting solely from Epiq's gross negligence or willful misconduct or as otherwise provided in the Retention Agreement or Order. The Debtors believe that such indemnification obligation is customary, reasonable, and necessary to retain the services of a Claims and Noticing Agent in the Chapter 11 Cases.

### **EPIQ'S DISINTERESTEDNESS**

15. Although the Debtors do not propose to employ Epiq under section 327 of the Bankruptcy Code pursuant to this Section 156(c) Application (such retention will be sought by separate application), Epiq has nonetheless reviewed its electronic database to determine whether it has any relationships with the creditors and parties in interest provided by the Debtors, and, to the best of the Debtors' knowledge, information, and belief, and except as disclosed in the Hunt Declaration, Epiq has represented that it neither holds nor represents any interest materially adverse to the Debtors' estates in connection with any matter on which it would be employed.

- 16. Moreover, in connection with its retention as Claims and Noticing Agent, Epiq represents in the Hunt Declaration, among other things, that:
  - a. Epiq is not a creditor of the Debtors;
  - b. Epiq will not consider itself employed by the United States government and shall not seek any compensation from the United States government in its capacity as the Claims and Noticing Agent in the Chapter 11 Cases;
  - c. By accepting employment in the Chapter 11 Cases, Epiq waives any rights to receive compensation from the United States government in connection with the Chapter 11 Cases;
  - d. In its capacity as the Claims and Noticing Agent in the Chapter 11 Cases, Epiq will not be an agent of the United States and will not act on behalf of the United States;
  - e. Epiq will not employ any past or present employees of the Debtors in connection with its work as the Claims and Noticing Agent in the Chapter 11 Cases;
  - f. Epiq is a "disinterested person" as that term is defined in section 101(14) of the Bankruptcy Code with respect to the matters upon which it is engaged;
  - g. In its capacity as Claims and Noticing Agent in the Chapter 11 Cases, Epiq will not intentionally misrepresent any fact to any person;
  - h. Epiq shall be under the supervision and control of the Clerk's office with respect to the receipt and recordation of claims and claim transfers;
  - i. Epiq will comply with all requests of the Clerk's office and the guidelines promulgated by the Judicial Conference of the United States for the implementation of 28 U.S.C. § 156(c); and
  - j. None of the services provided by Epiq as Claims and Noticing Agent in the Chapter 11 Cases shall be at the expense of the Clerk's office.
- 17. Epiq will supplement its disclosure to the Court if any facts or circumstances are discovered that would require such additional disclosure.

### **BASIS FOR RELIEF REQUESTED**

- 18. The Court is permitted to appoint Epiq as Claims and Noticing Agent in the Chapter
- 11 Cases. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 156(c), the Court is authorized to utilize agents and facilities

other than the Clerk for the administration of bankruptcy cases. Specifically, 28 U.S.C. § 156(c) provides, in relevant part, as follows:

Any court may utilize facilities or services, either on or off the court's premises, which pertain to the provision of notices, dockets, calendars, and other administrative information to parties in cases filed under the provisions of title 11, United States Code, where the costs of such facilities or services are paid for out of the assets of the estate and are not charged to the United States.

11 U.S.C. § 105(a). Moreover, Bankruptcy Rule 2002, which regulates the notices that must be provided to creditors and other parties in interest in a bankruptcy case, provides that the Court may direct that a person other than the Clerk give notice of the various matters described therein. *See* Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002. In addition, Local Rule 2002-1(f) provides that "[u]pon motion of the debtors or trustee, at any time without notice or hearing, the Court may authorize the retention of a notice and/or claims clerk under 28 U.S.C. § 156(c)." Del. Bankr. L.R. 2002-1(f).

19. The appointment of Epiq as Claims and Noticing Agent will help to expedite and more efficiently facilitate the administration of the Chapter 11 Cases, and will relieve the Clerk's office of administrative burdens. For these reasons, the Debtor' respectfully submit that Epiq's appointment as Claims and Noticing Agent is necessary and in the best interests of the Debtors and their estates and will serve to maximize the value of the Debtors' estates for all stakeholders.

### **COMPLIANCE WITH CLAIMS AGENT PROTOCOL**

20. The Debtors' selection of Epiq to act as the Claims and Noticing Agent has satisfied the Claims Agent Protocol in that the Debtors have obtained and reviewed engagement proposals from at least two other court-approved claims and noticing agents to ensure selection through a competitive process. Moreover, the Debtors submit, based on all engagement proposals obtained and reviewed, that Epiq's rates are competitive and reasonable given Epiq's quality of services and expertise.

### RELIEF AS OF PETITION DATE IS APPROPRIATE

- 21. In accordance with the Debtors' request, Epiq has agreed to serve as Claims and Noticing Agent on and after the Petition Date with assurances that the Debtors would seek approval of its employment and retention, effective as of the Petition Date, so that Epiq can be compensated for services rendered before approval of this Section 156(c) Application. No party in interest will be prejudiced by the granting relief as of the Petition Date as proposed in this Section 156(c) Application, because Epiq has provided and continues to provide valuable services to the Debtors' estates during the interim period.
- 22. Accordingly, the Debtors respectfully request entry of the Proposed Order authorizing the Debtors to retain and employ Epiq as Claims and Noticing Agent effective as of the Petition Date.

### **NOTICE**

23. Notice of this Section 156(c) Application has been given to (i) the Office of the United States Trustee for the District of Delaware; (ii) the holders of the thirty (30) largest unsecured claims on a consolidated basis against the Debtors; (iii) counsel to the Debtors' prepetition secured lender; (iv) counsel to the DIP Lender, (v) the Internal Revenue Service; and (vi) the Securities Exchange Commission. Notice of this Motion and any order entered hereon will be served in accordance with Local Rule 9013-1(m). The Debtors submit that, in light of the nature of the relief requested, no other or further notice need be given.

### **CONCLUSION**

WHEREFORE, the Debtors request the entry of the Proposed Order, granting the relief requested herein and such other and further relief as is just and proper.

Dated: December 2, 2022 Respectfully submitted,

Winc, Inc., *et al.*,
Debtors and Debtors in Possession

/s/ Brian Smith

Brian Smith

Interim Chief Executive Officer

### EXHIBIT A

**Proposed Order** 

# IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

	Ref. Docket No
Debtors.	(Jointly Administered)
WINC, INC., et al., <sup>1</sup>	Case No. 22-11238 (LSS)
In re:	Chapter 11

# ORDER APPOINTING EPIQ CORPORATE RESTRUCTURING, LLC AS CLAIMS AND NOTICING AGENT EFFECTIVE AS OF THE PETITION DATE

Upon consideration of the application (the "Section 156(c) Application")<sup>2</sup> of the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors") for entry of an order, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 156(c), section 105(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rule 2002, and Local Rule 2002-1(f), appointing Epiq Corporate Restructuring, LLC ("Epiq") as the Claims and Noticing Agent in the Chapter 11 Cases, effective as of the Petition Date, to, among other things, (i) distribute required notices to parties in interest, (ii) receive, maintain, docket, and otherwise administer the proofs of claim filed in the Chapter 11 Cases, and (iii) provide such other administrative services as required by the Debtors that would fall within the purview of services to be provided by the Clerk's office, all as more fully set forth in the Section 156(c) Application; and this Court having jurisdiction to consider the Section 156(c) Application and the relief requested therein pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the *Amended Standing Order of Reference* from the United States District Court for the District of Delaware dated February 29,

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Section 156(c) Application.

2012; and consideration of the Section 156(c) Application and the requested relief being a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2); and venue being proper before this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and due and proper notice of the Section 156(c) Application having been provided to the Notice Parties under the circumstances, and it appearing that no other or further notice need be provided; and upon the First Day Declaration and the Hunt Declaration; and this Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Section 156(c) Application establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is hereby

### ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED THAT:

- 1. The Section 156(c) Application is GRANTED, as set forth herein.
- 2. Notwithstanding the terms of the Retention Agreement attached to the Section 156(c) Application, the Section 156(c) Application is granted solely as set forth in this Order and solely with respect to the Claims Management and Noticing services set forth in the Services Schedule attached to the Retention Agreement.
- 3. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 156(c), section 105(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rule 2002, and Local Rule 2002-1(f), the Debtors are authorized to retain Epiq as Claims and Noticing Agent in the Chapter 11 Cases, effective as of the Petition Date, under the terms of the Retention Agreement, and Epiq is authorized and directed to perform the Claims and Noticing Services and to receive, maintain, record, and otherwise administer the proofs of claim filed in the Chapter 11 Cases, and perform all related tasks as set forth in the Section 156(c) Application.
- 4. Epiq shall serve as the custodian of court records and shall be designated as the authorized repository for all proofs of claim filed in the Chapter 11 Cases, and is authorized and directed to maintain the official Claims Register for the Debtors, to provide public access to every

proof of claim unless otherwise ordered by this Court, and to provide the Clerk with a certified duplicate thereof upon request of the Clerk.

- 5. Epiq is authorized and directed to obtain a post office box or address for the receipt of proofs of claim.
- 6. Epiq is authorized to take such other actions as required to comply with all duties set forth in the Section 156(c) Application and this Order.
- 7. Epiq shall comply with all requests of the Clerk and the guidelines promulgated by the Judicial Conference of the United States for the implementation of 28 U.S.C. § 156(c).
- 8. Without further order of this Court, the Debtors are authorized to compensate Epiq in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Retention Agreement upon receipt of reasonably detailed monthly invoices setting forth the services provided by Epiq and the rates charged for each, and to reimburse Epiq for all reasonable and necessary expenses it may incur, upon the presentation of appropriate documentation, without the need for Epiq to file fee applications or otherwise seek Court approval for the compensation of its services and reimbursement of its expenses as the Claims and Noticing Agent.
- 9. Epiq shall maintain records of all services showing dates, categories of services, fees charged, and expenses incurred, and shall serve monthly invoices on the Debtors, the Office of the United States Trustee for the District of Delaware, counsel for the Debtors, counsel for any statutory committee, and any party in interest that specifically requests service of the monthly invoices.
- 10. The parties shall meet and confer in an attempt to resolve any dispute that may arise relating to the Retention Agreement or monthly invoices, and the parties may seek resolution of the matter from this Court if resolution is not achieved.

- 11. Pursuant to section 503(b)(1)(A) of the Bankruptcy Code, Epiq's fees and expenses incurred in connection with the Claims and Noticing Services shall be an administrative expense of the Debtors' chapter 11 estates.
- 12. Epiq may apply its retainer to all prepetition invoices, which retainer shall be replenished to the original retainer amount of \$10,000.00, and thereafter, Epiq may hold its retainer under the Engagement Agreement during the Chapter 11 Cases as security for payment of Epiq's final invoice for services rendered and expenses incurred under the Engagement Agreement.
- 13. The Debtors are authorized to indemnify Epiq under the terms of the Retention Agreement, subject to the following modifications:
  - a. Epiq shall not be entitled to indemnification, contribution, or reimbursement pursuant to the Retention Agreement for services other than the Claims and Noticing Services provided under the Retention Agreement, unless such services and the indemnification, contribution, or reimbursement therefor are approved by this Court;
  - b. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Retention Agreement, the Debtors shall have no obligation to indemnify Epiq, or provide contribution or reimbursement to Epiq, for any claim or expense that is either: (i) judicially determined (the determination having become final) to have arisen from Epiq's gross negligence, willful misconduct, or fraud; (ii) for a contractual dispute in which the Debtors allege the breach of Epiq's contractual obligations if this Court determines that indemnification, contribution, or reimbursement would not be permissible pursuant to *In re United Artists Theatre Co.*, 315 F.3d 217 (3d Cir. 2003); or (iii) settled prior to a judicial determination under (i) or (ii),

but determined by this Court, after notice and a hearing, to be a claim or expense for which Claims and Noticing Agent should not receive indemnity, contribution, or reimbursement under the terms of the Retention Agreement as modified by this Order;

- c. If, before the earlier of (i) the entry of an order confirming a chapter 11 plan in the Chapter 11 Cases (that order having become a final order no longer subject to appeal) or (ii) the entry of an order closing the Chapter 11 Cases, Epiq believes that it is entitled to the payment of any amounts by the Debtors on account of the Debtors' indemnification, contribution, and/or reimbursement obligations under the Retention Agreement (as modified by this Order), including the advancement of defense costs, Epiq must file an application therefor in this Court, and the Debtors may not pay any such amounts to Epiq before the entry of an order by this Court approving the payment. This paragraph is intended only to specify the period of time under which this Court shall have jurisdiction over any request for fees and expenses by Epiq for indemnification, contribution, or reimbursement, and not a provision limiting the duration of the Debtors' obligation to indemnify Epiq. All parties in interest shall retain the right to object to any demand by Epiq for indemnification, contribution, or reimbursement.
- 14. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Retention Agreement, during the Chapter 11 Cases, the limitation of liability contained in paragraph 8 of the Agreement shall be given no effect.

- 15. In the event Epiq is unable to provide the Claims and Noticing Services, Epiq shall immediately notify the Clerk and the Debtors' counsel and cause all original proofs of claim and computer information to be turned over to another claims and noticing agent with the advice and consent of the Clerk and the Debtors' counsel.
- 16. The Debtors may submit a separate retention application, pursuant to section 327 of the Bankruptcy Code and/or any applicable law, for services that are to be performed by Epiq but are not specifically authorized by this Order.
- 17. Epiq shall not cease providing Claims and Noticing Services during the Chapter 11 Cases for any reason, including nonpayment, without an order of this Court.
- 18. In the event of any inconsistency between the Retention Agreement, the Section 156(c) Application, and this Order, this Order shall govern.
- 19. The Debtors and Epiq are authorized to take all action necessary to effectuate the relief granted in this Order.
- 20. This Court shall retain jurisdiction and power to hear and determine all matters arising from or related to the implementation, interpretation, or enforcement of this Order.

### EXHIBIT B

**Hunt Declaration** 

# IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

Chapter 11
Case No. 22-11238 (LSS)
(Joint Administration Requested)

### DECLARATION OF BRIAN HUNT IN SUPPORT OF DEBTORS' APPLICATION FOR AN ORDER APPOINTING EPIQ CORPORATE RESTRUCTURING, LLC AS CLAIMS AND NOTICING AGENT EFFECTIVE AS OF THE PETITION DATE

- I, Brian Hunt, being duly sworn, state the following under penalty of perjury and that the following is true to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief:
- 1. I am a Consulting Director with Epiq Corporate Restructuring, LLC ("Epiq"), with offices located at 777 3rd Ave., 12<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10017. I am authorized to submit this declaration in support of the *Debtors' Application for an Order Appointing Epiq Corporate Restructuring, LLC as Claims and Noticing Agent Effective as of the Petition Date* (the "Section 156(c) Application").<sup>2</sup> Except as otherwise noted, I have personal knowledge of the matters set forth herein, and if called and sworn as a witness, I could and would testify competently thereto.
- 2. Epiq is one of the country's leading chapter 11 administrators, with significant expertise in noticing, claims administration, soliciting, balloting, and facilitating other administrative aspects of chapter 11 cases. Epiq has acted as the claims and noticing agent in

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Debtors in the Chapter 11 Cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, are: Winc, Inc. (8960); BWSC, LLC (0899); and Winc Lost Poet, LLC (N/A). The Debtors' mailing address for purposes of the Chapter 11 Cases is 1751 Berkeley Street, Studio 3, Santa Monica, CA 90404.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Section 156(c) Application.

numerous recent cases of varying size and complexity, including several recent cases filed in this District.<sup>3</sup>

- 3. As agent and custodian of the Court records pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 156(c), Epiq will perform, at the request of the Clerk's office, the claims and noticing services specified in the Section 156(c) Application and Retention Agreement. In addition, at the Debtors' request, Epiq will perform such other claims and noticing services specified in the Section 156(c) Application. For the avoidance of doubt, pursuant to the Retention Agreement, Epiq will perform the Claims and Noticing Services for the Debtors in the Chapter 11 Cases.
- 4. Subject to Court approval, the Debtors have agreed to compensate Epiq for professional services rendered pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §156(c) in connection with the Chapter 11 Cases according to the terms and conditions of the Retention Agreement. Payments are to be based upon the submission of a billing statement by Epiq to the Debtors after the end of each calendar month, which shall include a detailed listing of services and expenses. Epiq has received a \$10,000 retainer from the Debtors and will first apply the retainer to all prepetition invoices, and any balance will be held as security of payment of Epiq's final invoice for services rendered and expenses incurred in performing the Claims and Noticing Services.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See, e.g., In re Teligent, Inc., No. 21-11332 (KBO) (Bankr. D. Del.); Southland Royalty Co. LLC, No. 20-10158 (KBO) (Bankr. D. Del.); In re RUI Holding Corp., No. 19-11509, (JTD) (Bankr. D. Del.); In re THG Holdings LLC, No. 19-11689 (JTD) (Bankr. D. Del.); In re HDR Holding, Inc., No. 19-11396 (MFW) (Bankr. D. Del.); In re Joerns WoundCo Holdings, Inc., No. 19-11401 (JTD) (Bankr. D. Del.); In re Insys Therapeutics, Inc., No. 19-11292 (KG) (Bankr. D. Del.); In re Kona Grill, Inc., No. 19-10953 (CSS) (Bankr. D. Del.); In re WMC Mortgage, LLC, No. 19-10879 (CSS) (Bankr. D. Del.); In re F+W Media, Inc., No. 19-10479 (KG) (Bankr. D. Del.); In re Avadel Specialty Pharms., LLC, No. 19-10248 (CSS) (Bankr. D. Del.).

- 5. Epiq represents, among other things, the following:
  - a. Epiq is not a creditor of the Debtors;
  - b. Epiq will not consider itself employed by the United States government and shall not seek any compensation from the United States government in its capacity as the Claims and Noticing Agent in the Chapter 11 Cases;
  - c. By accepting employment in the Chapter 11 Cases, Epiq waives any rights to receive compensation from the United States government in connection with the Chapter 11 Cases;
  - d. In its capacity as the Claims and Noticing Agent in the Chapter 11 Cases, Epiq will not be an agent of the United States and will not act on behalf of the United States;
  - e. Epiq will not employ any past or present employees of the Debtors in connection with its work as the Claims and Noticing Agent in the Chapter 11 Cases;
  - f. Epiq is a "disinterested person" as that term is defined in section 101(14) of the Bankruptcy Code with respect to the matters upon which it is engaged;
  - g. In its capacity as Claims and Noticing Agent in the Chapter 11 Cases, Epiq will not intentionally misrepresent any fact to any person;
  - h. Epiq shall be under the supervision and control of the Clerk's office with respect to the receipt and recordation of claims and claim transfers;
  - i. Epiq will comply with all requests of the Clerk's office and the guidelines promulgated by the Judicial Conference of the United States for the implementation of 28 U.S.C. § 156(c); and
  - j. None of the services provided by Epiq as Claims and Noticing Agent in the Chapter 11 Cases shall be at the expense of the Clerk's office.
- 6. Although the Debtors do not propose to retain Epiq under section 327 of the Bankruptcy Code pursuant to the Section 156(c) Application (such retention will be sought by separate application), I caused to be submitted for review by our conflicts system the names of identified potential parties in interest (the "Potential Parties in Interest") in the Chapter 11 Cases. The list of Potential Parties in Interest was provided by the Debtors and is attached hereto as **Schedule I**. Epiq is not aware of any relationship that would present a disqualifying conflict of

Interest were current or former clients of Epiq within the past three years, these parties have been identified on a list annexed hereto as **Schedule II** (the "Client Match List"). However, given Epiq's neutral position as claims and noticing agent or administrative advisor for any parties listed on the Client Match List, Epiq does not view such relationships as real or potential conflicts. Further, to the best of my knowledge, any such relationship between Epiq and any parties on the Client Match List is completely unrelated to the Chapter 11 Cases.

- 7. In addition, to the best of my knowledge, none of Epiq's employees are related to bankruptcy judges in the District of Delaware, the United States Trustee for Region 3, any attorney known by Epiq to be employed in the Office of the United States Trustee serving the District of Delaware, or are equity security holders of the Debtors.
- 8. To the best of my knowledge, and based solely upon information provided to me by the Debtors, and except as provided herein, neither Epiq, nor any of its professionals, has any adverse connection to the Debtors, their creditors, or other relevant parties. Epiq may have relationships with certain of the Debtors' creditors as vendors or in connection with cases in which Epiq serves or has served in a neutral capacity as claims and noticing agent and/or administrative advisor for other chapter 11 debtors.
- 9. Epiq is a wholly owned subsidiary of Epiq Systems, Inc., which is corporate parent to certain companies that provide integrated technology products and services to the legal profession for electronic discovery, class action settlements, financial transactions, chapter 7 and 13 bankruptcy, litigation, and regulatory compliance. Given the legal and operational separateness of Epiq from its affiliates and the administrative nature of the services performed by such

companies, Epiq does not believe that a conflict would arise solely from any relationship or claim of an Epiq affiliate or its corporate parent.

- 10. Epiq Systems, Inc., is a wholly owned subsidiary of Document Technologies, LLC ("<u>DTI</u>"), a global legal process outsourcing company, which is an ultimate wholly owned subsidiary of DTI Topco, Inc. ("<u>DTI Topco</u>"). DTI Topco is a privately-held entity with majority ownership held by OMERS Administration Corporation ("<u>OAC</u>"), the administrator of the OMERS pension funds, and managed by OMERS Private Equity Inc. ("OPE", which together with OAC are referred to as "<u>OMERS</u>"), and funds managed by Harvest Partners, LP, ("<u>Harvest</u>") a leading private equity investment firm.
- 11. Neither DTI, DTI Topco, OMERS nor Harvest are currently identified on the Potential Parties in Interest list. However, the following disclosure is made out of an abundance of caution and in an effort to comply with the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rules.
- 12. Designees of OMERS and Harvest are members of the Board of Directors of DTI Topco ("Parent Board Designees"). No designees of OMERS or Harvest are members of the Board of Directors of DTI or Epiq, or any other subsidiaries of DTI. Further, Epiq has the following restrictions in place: (i) prior to the Debtors commencing the Chapter 11 Cases, Epiq did not share the names or any other information identifying the Debtors with DTI, DTI Topco, OMERS, Harvest, or the Parent Board Designees; (ii) Epiq has not and will not furnish any material nonpublic information about the Debtors to DTI, DTI Topco, OMERS, Harvest, or the Parent Board Designees; (iii) no DTI, DTI Topco, OMERS or Harvest personnel, including the Parent Board Designees, work on Epiq client matters or have access to Epiq client information, client files, or client personnel; (iv) no DTI, DTI Topco, OMERS or Harvest personnel, including the Parent Board Designees, work in Epiq's offices; (v) other than the Parent Board Designees, Epiq

operates independently from DTI, DTI Topco, OMERS and Harvest, including that it does not share any employees, officers, or other management with OMERS or Harvest, has separate offices in separate buildings, and has separate IT systems; and (vi) no Epiq executive or employee is a director, officer, or employee of OMERS or Harvest (or vice versa other than the Parent Board Designees).

- Debtors and the Potential Parties in Interest list provided by the Debtors. Based solely on the foregoing search, Epiq has determined, to the best of its knowledge, that there are no connections. Because of any applicable securities laws and the fact that Epiq operates independently from DTI, DTI Topco, OMERS and Harvest, prior to the Petition Date, Epiq was unable to further investigate with either OMERS or Harvest, to the extent necessary, any potential or actual connection between either OMERS or Harvest and the Debtors and the Potential Parties in Interest.
- 14. Epiq has working relationships with certain of the professionals retained by the Debtors and other parties herein, but such relationships are completely unrelated to the Chapter 11 Cases. Epiq has represented, and will continue to represent, clients in matters unrelated to the Chapter 11 Cases, and has had, and will continue to have, relationships in the ordinary course of its business with certain professionals in connection with matters unrelated to the Chapter 11 Cases.
- 15. Epiq has not been retained to assist any entity or person other than the Debtors on matters relating to, or in connection with, the Chapter 11 Cases. If Epiq's proposed retention is approved by the Court, Epiq will not accept any engagement or perform any service for any entity or person other than the Debtors in the Chapter 11 Cases.

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16. Based on the foregoing, I believe Epiq is a "disinterested person" as that term is

referenced in section 327(a) of the Bankruptcy Code and as defined in section 101(14) of the

Bankruptcy Code. Moreover, to the best of my knowledge, neither Epiq nor any of its partners or

employees hold or represent any interest adverse to the Debtors' estates with respect to any matter

upon which Epiq is to be engaged.

17. Epiq was party to an agreement with Xclaim Inc. ("Xclaim"). As of September 9,

2022, Epiq has terminated its agreement with Xclaim. I also incorporate by reference the contents

of the Epiq Response, relating to Epiq's relationship with Xclaim, See (Docket Number 12, Misc.

Pro. No. 22-00401(MG) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. August 25, 2022). Neither Epiq nor its affiliates are

party to any agreements where it/they receive(s) consideration in exchange for transferring

information derived from its role as a claims agent under 28 U.S.C. § 156(c) to non-client third

parties beyond the disclosed prior agreement with Xclaim.

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing

is true and correct to the best of my information, knowledge and belief.

Dated: December 2, 2022

/s/ Brian Hunt

Brian Hunt

Consulting Director

Epiq Corporate Restructuring, LLC

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### SCHEDULE I

**Potential Parties in Interest** 

#### WINC, INC.

### List of Potential Parties in Interest

### **Debtors**

Winc, Inc. (d/b/a Club W, Inc.) BWSC, LLC Winc Lost Poet, LLC

### **Directors and Officers**

Brault, Carol Delong, Patrick Green, Erin Joukovski, Laura McFarlane, Geoffrey Pinney, Alesia Smith, Brian Thompson, Mary Pat Weng, Xiangwei

#### **Significant Equity Holders**

15 Angels II LLC

Bessemer Venture Partners VIII Institutional L.P.

Bessemer Venture Partners VIII L.P.

CFJ Palate Holdings LLC Cool Japan Fund Inc. Deer VIII & Co. L.P. Deer VIII & Co. Ltd. Dream Catcher Investments Dreamer Pathway Limited (BVI)

GoBlue Ventures LLC McFarlane, Geoffrey Rice Wine Ventures LLC Sake Ventures LLC

Shining Capital Holdings II L.P.

Shining Capital Management III Limited

Shiningwine Limited (BVI)

Smith, Brian

Wahoowa Ventures LLC

Weng, Xiangwei

### **Debtors' Professionals**

Canaccord Genuity Group, Inc. Epiq Corporate Restructuring, LLC RPA Asset Management Services, LLC Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor, LLP

# Banks/Lenders/UCC Lien Parties/Administrative Agents

Banc of California, N.A.

## **Material Vendors and Contract Counterparties**

American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC

Artisan Brands, LLLP Ascentis Corporation

Atelier Copain LLC (d/b/a Punchdown Cellars)

Avalara, Inc.

CompIntelligence, Inc.

CTF Clear Finance Technology Corp. (d/b/a

Clearco)

Eagles Stadium Operator, LLC

Field, Edward

Imperial Parking Industries Inc.

International Wines, Inc.

Konica Minolta Business Solutions U.S.A., Inc.

LangeTwins Wine Company, Inc. Marketplace Selections, Incorporated Miller Family Wine Company, LLC

National Merchants, Inc. Oracle America, Inc.

Paypal, Inc. (d/b/a Braintree) Philadelphia Eagles, LLC

Republic National Distributing Company, LLC

Synergy North America Inc.

T. Elenteny Holdings, LLC (d/b/a T. Elenteny

Imports)

Terravant Wine Company, LLC

Testany, Inc.

The Bacchus Group Inc. Weibel Incorporated

Young's Market Company, LLC

Zendesk, Inc.

#### **Landlords/Sublessees**

1515 Garnet Mine Road Holdings Limited Partnership

CCF PS Alla Owner, LLC

Columbia Business Center Partners L.P.

Last Mile Management

Rosenstein Henry, LLC

Squarespace, Inc.

Thrive Market, Inc.

West LA Alla Commonwealth, LLC

West LA Venture Commonwealth LLC

#### Insurers/Brokers

ACE American Insurance Company

Allied World Insurance Company

Axis Insurance Company

Endurance American Insurance Company

FIRST Insurance Funding

Guardian Life Insurance Company of America

IMA of Colorado, Inc.

Kaiser Permanente

Lloyds of London

National Union Fire Insurance Company of

Pittsburgh, PA

The Continental Insurance Company

Transportation Insurance Company

Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of

America

United Healthcare

Valley Forge Insurance Company

Woodruff-Sawyer & Co.

#### **Utilities**

AT&T, Inc.

Charter Communications (Spectrum)

Comcast Corp.

Waste Management of Pennsylvania, Inc.

#### **Top 30 Unsecured Creditors**

Meta Platforms, Inc

JF Hillebrand USA Inc. (dba Hillebrand)

FedEx Corporation

La Cantina Pizzolato S.R.L.

Landsberg

LangeTwins Family Winery & Vineyards

Famille Chaudière

Impact Tech, Inc.

SP Comino, LLC

Michlits Werner GmbH

Total Quality Logistics, LLC

Allegis Group Holdings, Inc. (Aerotek, Inc.)

Brex Inc.

Douglas R. Circle (dba Rancho Cañada de los

Pinos)

Terravant/Summerland

Domo, Inc

8020 Consulting LLC

Conexus Search LLC

Google, Inc.

Power Digital Marketing, Inc.

Awesome OS, Inc. (Offsourcing, Inc.)

Atticus Publishing, LLC

Laffort USA, Inc.

Republic National Distributing Company of CA

(RNDC CA)

Mendocino Wine Co.

Kaiser Consulting, LLC

Los Angeles Philharmonic Association

Datasite LLC

Vin-Global LLP

Toppan Merrill USA Inc.

### **Governmental and Taxing Authorities**

Alabama Alcoholic Beverage Control Board

Alabama Department of Labor

Alabama Department of Revenue

Alabama Securities Commission

Alaska Department of Labor

Alaska Department of Revenue

Alaska Division of Banking & Securities

Alcohol & Marijuana Control Office

Alcohol and Tobacco Commission

Alcohol Beverage Control Bureau

Alcoholic Beverage Control Administration

Alcoholic Beverage Control Enforcement

Alcoholic Beverage Control Office

Alcoholic Beverage Law Enforcement

Commission (ABLE)

Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration

Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission

Arizona Department of Finance and

Administration

Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and

Control

Arizona Department of Revenue

Arkansas Department of Labor

Arkansas Securities Department

Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery Operations

California Department of Toxic Substances Control

California Air Resources Board California Board of Equalization

California Department Consumer Affairs

California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control

California Department of Business Oversight

California Department of Conservation

California Department of Healthcare

California Department of Tax and Fee

Administration

California Department of Water Resources

California Environmental Protection

California Franchise Tax Board

California Integrated Waste Management Board

California State Controller Office

California Unemployment Insurance

Centers for Disease Control & Prevention

Central District of California City of Santa Monica, CA

Colorado Department of Labor and

**Employment** 

Colorado Department of Revenue

Colorado Department of Revenue-Liquor

**Enforcement Division** 

Colorado Division of Securities

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Commonwealth of Puerto Rico Attorney

General

Comptroller of Maryland

Connecticut Department of Consumer

Protection

Connecticut Department of Labor

Connecticut Department of Revenue Services

Connecticut Securities and Business

Connecticut Commissioner of Revenue Services

Connecticut State Treasurer Delaware Department of Justice Delaware Department of Labor Delaware Division of Revenue Delaware Investor Protection Unit

Department of Liquor Control County of

Hawaii

Department of Liquor Control County of Kauai

District of Columbia

District of Columbia Attorney General District of Columbia Department of

**Employment Services** 

District of Columbia Treasurer

Division of Alcohol and Tobacco Control

Division of Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco

Division of Commercial Licensing and

Regulation Liquor Enforcement and

Compliance

Division of Liquor Control

Division of Special Taxes

Eastern District of California

Eastern District of Pennsylvania

Environmental Protection Agency - Region 3

Environmental Protection Agency - Region 9

Federal Trade Commission

Florida Department of Labor

Florida Department of Revenue

Florida Division of Alcoholic Beverages and

Tobacco

Florida Office of Financial Regulation

Georgia Department of Labor

Georgia Department of Revenue Alcohol &

Tobacco Tax Division

Georgia Governor's Office

Guam Attorney General

Guam Department of Labor

Hawaii Department of Commerce

Hawaii Department of Labor and Industrial

Relations

Hawaii Department of Taxation

Hawaii Securities Branch

Hawaii City & County of Honolulu

Hawaii County of Kauai

Hawaii County of Maui

Idaho Department of Labor

Idaho State Liquor Dispensary

**Idaho State Tax Commission** 

Illinois Alcohol, Tobacco and Fuel Division

Illinois Chicago Department of Finance

Illinois Department of Labor

Illinois Department of Revenue

Illinois Liquor Control Commission

Illinois Securities Department

Indiana Department of Labor

Indiana Department of Revenue

Indiana Securities Division

Industrial Commission of Arizona

Iowa Alcoholic Beverages Division

Iowa Department of Revenue

Iowa Insurance Division

Iowa Workforce Development

Kansas Department of Labor

Kansas Department of Revenue Alcohol Beverage Control

Kansas Liquor Enforcement Tax

Kansas Miscellaneous Tax

Kansas Securities Commissioner

Kentucky Alcoholic Beverage Control

Department

Kentucky Department of Revenue

Kentucky Labor Cabinet

Kentucky Securities Division

Louisiana Department of Revenue

Liquor Commission City and County of Honolulu

Louisiana Department of Revenue Alcohol and Tobacco Control Office

Louisiana Securities Division

Louisiana Workforce Commission

Maine Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery Op

Maine Bureau Consumer Credit Protection

Maine Department of Labor

Maine Division of Liquor Licensing

Maine Liquor Licensing & Inspection Unit

Maine Office of Securities

Maine Revenue Services

Maryland Department of Labor

Maryland Field Enforcement Division

Maryland Office of the Comptroller

Maryland - Worcester County Liquor Control Board

Massachusetts Alcohol & Bev. Control

Massachusetts Department of Labor

Massachusetts Department of Revenue

Massachusetts Office of Consumer Affairs

Massachusetts Securities Division

Michigan Department of Licensing &

Regulatory Affairs

Michigan Corporations, Securities

Michigan Department of Treasury

Michigan Liquor Control Commission

Michigan Workforce Development Agency

Middle District of Pennsylvania

Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry

Minnesota Department of Public Safety Alcohol

and Gambling Enforcement Division

Minnesota Department of Revenue

Mississippi Department of Agriculture

Mississippi Department of Employment

Security

Mississippi Securities Division

Mississippi State Tax Commission

Missouri Department of Labor

Missouri Department of Revenue

Montana Commissioner of Securities

Montana Department of Labor and Industry

Montana Department of Revenue

Montana Liquor License Bureau

Montana Office of Consumer Protection

Montgomery County Alcohol Beverage

Services

Nebraska Department of Revenue

Nebraska Bureau of Securities

Nebraska Department of Labor

Nebraska Department of Revenue

Nebraska Liquor Control Commission

Negociado de Impuesto al Consumo

Nevada Consumer Affairs

Nevada Department of Taxation

Nevada Department of Taxation -Sales/Use

Nevada Office of the Labor Commissioner

New Hampshire Bureau of Securities

Regulations

New Hampshire Department of Labor

New Hampshire Department of Revenue Admin

New Hampshire State Liquor Commission

New Jersey Bureau of Securities

New Jersey Department of Labor

New Jersey Department of Law and Public

Safety Division of Alcoholic Beverage

Control

New Jersey Department of the Treasury

New Mexico Department of Labor

New Mexico Regulation & Licensing

Department

New Mexico Securities Division

New Mexico Taxation and Revenue

New York Department of Finance

New York Investor Protection Bureau

New York State Department of Labor

New York State Department of State

New York State Liquor Authority Division of

Alcoholic Beverage Control

New York State Sales Tax Processing

North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control

Commission

North Carolina Department of Labor

North Carolina Department of Revenue

North Carolina Department of Agriculture

North Carolina Department of Revenue

North Carolina Securities Division

North Dakota Department of Labor

North Dakota Office of State Tax

Commissioner (PDP) North Dakota Securities Department Office of Secretary of State of Rhode Island Office of Secretary of State of South Carolina North Dakota Tax Commissioner Office of Secretary of State of South Dakota Northern District of California Office of Secretary of State of Tennessee Northern Mariana Islands Attorney Gen Office of Secretary of State of Texas Occupational Safety & Health Admin. Office of Secretary of State of California Office of Secretary of State of U.S. Virgin Office of Secretary of State of Pennsylvania Islands Office of Secretary of State of Alabama Office of Secretary of State of Utah Office of Secretary of State of Alaska Office of Secretary of State of Vermont Office of Secretary of State of American Samoa Office of Secretary of State of Virginia Office of Secretary of State of Washington Office of Secretary of State of Arizona Office of Secretary of State of West Virginia Office of Secretary of State of Arkansas Office of Secretary of State of California Office of Secretary of State of Wisconsin Office of Secretary of State of Colorado Office of Secretary of State of Wyoming Office of Secretary of State of Connecticut Office of Tax and Revenue Office of Secretary of State of Delaware Office of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Office of Secretary of State of District of Commissioner Columbia Ohio Bureau of Employment Services Office of Secretary of State of Florida Ohio Department of Commerce Office of Secretary of State of Georgia Ohio Department of Liquor Control Office of Secretary of State of Guam Ohio Department of Taxation Office of Secretary of State of Hawaii Ohio Division of Securities Office of Secretary of State of Idaho Oklahoma Department of Consumer Credit Office of Secretary of State of Illinois Oklahoma Department of Labor Office of Secretary of State of Indiana Oklahoma Securities Commission Office of Secretary of State of Iowa Oklahoma Tax Commission Office of Secretary of State of Kansas Oregon Bureau of Labor and Industries Office of Secretary of State of Kentucky Oregon Department of Justice Office of Secretary of State of Louisiana Oregon Department of Revenue Office of Secretary of State of Maine Oregon Division of Financial Regulation Office of Secretary of State of Maryland Oregon Liquor Control Commission Office of Secretary of State of Massachusetts Pennsylvania Department of Banking Pennsylvania Department of Revenue Office of Secretary of State of Michigan Office of Secretary of State of Minnesota Pennsylvania Department of Human Office of Secretary of State of Mississippi Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry Office of Secretary of State of Missouri Pennsylvania Department of State Office of Secretary of State of Montana Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board Office of Secretary of State of Nebraska Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General Office of Secretary of State of Nevada Pennsylvania State Treasury Office of Secretary of State of New Hampshire Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp Office of Secretary of State of New Jersey Puerto Rico Department De Asuntos Office of Secretary of State of New Mexico Puerto Rico Department of Labor Office of Secretary of State of New York Rhode Island Department of Business Office of Secretary of State of North Carolina Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training Rhode Island Division of Taxation Office of Secretary of State of North Dakota Office of Secretary of State of Ohio Securities and Exchange Commission Office of Secretary of State of Oklahoma Society for Corporate Governance Office of Secretary of State of Oregon South Carolina Department of Labor Office of Secretary of State of Pennsylvania South Carolina Department of Revenue & Office of Secretary of State of Puerto Rico **Taxation** 

South Carolina Securities

South Dakota Department of Labor

South Dakota Department of Revenue

South Dakota Division of Insurance

Southern District of California

State of Alabama Attorney General

State of Alaska Attorney General

State of American Samoa Attorney General

State of Arizona Attorney General

State of Arkansas Attorney General

State of California

State of California Attorney General

State of California Labor

State of Colorado Attorney General

State of Connecticut

State of Connecticut Attorney General

State of Delaware

State of Delaware Attorney General

State of Florida Attorney General

State of Georgia Attorney General

State of Hawaii Attorney General

State of Idaho Attorney General

State of Illinois Attorney General

State of Indiana Attorney General

State of Iowa Attorney General

State of Kansas Attorney General

State of Kentucky Attorney General

State of Louisiana Attorney General

State of Louisiana Attorney General

State of Maine Attorney General

State of Maryland Attorney General

State of Massachusetts Attorney General

State of Michigan

State of Michigan Attorney General

State of Minnesota Attorney General

State of Mississippi Attorney General

State of Missouri Attorney General

State of Montana Attorney General

State of Nebraska Attorney General

State of Nevada Attorney General

State of New Hampshire Attorney General

State of New Jersey Attorney General

State of New Mexico Attorney General

State of New York Attorney General

State of North Carolina Attorney General

State of North Dakota Attorney General

State of Ohio Attorney General

State of Oklahoma Attorney General

State of Oregon Attorney General

State of Pennsylvania Attorney General

State of Rhode Island Attorney General

State of South Carolina Attorney General

State of South Dakota

State of South Dakota Attorney General

State of Tennessee Attorney General

State of Texas Attorney General

State of Utah Attorney General

State of Vermont Attorney General

State of Virgin Islands Attorney General

State of Virginia Attorney General

State of Washington Attorney General

State of Washington Liquor Control Board

State of West Virginia Attorney General

State of Wisconsin Attorney General

State of Wyoming Attorney General

Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission

Tennessee Department of Commerce

Tennessee Department of Labor

Tennessee Department of Revenue

Tennessee Securities Division

Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission

Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts

Texas State Comptroller

Texas State Securities Board

Texas Workforce Commission

U.S. Department of State

U.S. Dept Health & Human Services

U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission

U.S. Customs and Border Protection

U.S. Department of Agriculture

U.S. Department of Justice

U.S. Department of the Treasury Alcohol and

Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau

U.S. Department of Treasury

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

U.S. Food and Drug Administration

United States Department of Labor

United States Internal Revenue Service

**United States Treasury** 

Utah Department of Alcoholic Beverage

Control

Utah Department of Commerce

Utah Division of Securities

**Utah Labor Commission** 

**Utah State Tax Commission** 

Vermont Agency of Agriculture, Food

Vermont Department of Labor and Industry

Vermont Department of Taxes

Vermont Securities Division

Virgin Islands Department of Labor

Virgin Islands Department of Licensing

Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority

Virginia Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control

Virginia Department of Taxation

Virginia Division of Labor and Industry

Virginia Division of Securities & Retail

Franchising

Washington Department of Labor and Industries

Washington Department of Revenue

Washington Securities Division

Washington State Department of Revenue

Washington State Liquor Control Board

Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board

West Virginia Alcohol Beverage Control

Commission Enforcement & Licensing

Division

West Virginia Division of Labor

West Virginia Securities Commission

West Virginia State Tax Department

Western District of Pennsylvania

Wisconsin Alcohol & Tobacco Enforcement

Wisconsin Department of Agriculture

Wisconsin Department of Revenue

Wisconsin Department of Workforce

Development

Wisconsin Division of Securities

Wyoming Department of Revenue

**Wyoming Liquor Commission** 

Wyoming Liquor Division

### **Bankruptcy Judges**

Chan, Ashely M.

Dorsey, John T.

Goldblatt, Craig T.

Owens, Karen B.

Shannon, Brendan L.

Silverstein, Laurie Selber

Stickles, J. Kate

Walrath, Mary F.

### Office of the United States Trustee

Buchbinder, David

Casey, Linda

Fox, Timothy J., Jr.

Hackman, Benjamin

Leamy, Jane

McCollum, Hannah M.

McMahon, Joseph

Richenderfer, Linda

Sarkessian, Juliet

Schepacarter, Richard

Vara, Andrew

Villagrana, David

### SCHEDULE II

### **Client Match List**

Name	Relationship to Debtors
ACE American Insurance Company	Insurers/Brokers
Alabama Securities Commission	Governmental and Taxing Authorities
Allied World Insurance Company	Insurers/Brokers
AT&T, Inc.	Utilities
Avalara, Inc.	Material Vendors and Contract Counterparties
California Air Resources Board	Governmental and Taxing Authorities
California Board of Equalization	Governmental and Taxing Authorities
California Department of Toxic Substances Control	Governmental and Taxing Authorities
Charter Communications (Spectrum)	Utilities
Comcast Corp.	Utilities
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	Governmental and Taxing Authorities
Connecticut Department of Consumer Protection	Governmental and Taxing Authorities
District of Columbia	Governmental and Taxing Authorities
Endurance American Insurance Company	Insurers/Brokers
Environmental Protection Agency – Region 3	Governmental and Taxing Authorities
Federal Trade Commission	Governmental and Taxing Authorities
FedEx	Top 30 Unsecured Creditors
Florida Office of Financial Regulation	Governmental and Taxing Authorities
Google, Inc.	Top 30 Unsecured Creditors
Illinois Liquor Control Commission	Governmental and Taxing Authorities
Indiana Department of Revenue	Governmental and Taxing Authorities
Indiana Securities Division	Governmental and Taxing Authorities
Kaiser Permanente	Insurers/Brokers
Konica Minolta Business Solutions U.S.A., Inc.	Material Vendors and Contract
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Lloyds of London	Insurers/Brokers
Maine Office of Securities	Governmental and Taxing Authorities
Montana Department of Revenue	Governmental and Taxing Authorities

National Union Fire Insurance Company of	Insurers/Brokers	
Pittsburgh, PA	Covernmental and Toxing Authorities	
New Jersey Department of Labor North Carolina Securities Division	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
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Oracle America, Inc.	Material Vendors and Contract	
27	Counterparties	
Oregon Department of Justice	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
Paypal, Inc. (d/b/a Braintree)	Material Vendors and Contract	
	Counterparties	
Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp.	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
Republic National Distributing Company of CA	Material Vendors and Contract	
	Counterparties	
Securities and Exchange Commission	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
State of California	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
State of Connecticut	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
State of Colorado Attorney General	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
State of Delaware	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
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State of Florida Attorney General	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
State of Georgia Attorney General	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
State of Hawaii Attorney General	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
State of Illinois Attorney General	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
State of Maine Attorney General	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
State of Michigan	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
State of Mississippi Attorney General	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
State of New Jersey Attorney General	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
State of New Mexico Attorney General	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
State of New York Attorney General	Governmental and Taxing Authorities  Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
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State of Tennessee Attorney General	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
State of Texas Attorney General	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
State of Washington Attorney General	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
Texas State Securities Board	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
Texas Workforce Commission	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	

The Continental Insurance Company	Insurers/Brokers	
Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America	Insurers/Brokers	
U.S. Dept Health & Human Services	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
U.S. Department of Justice	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
U.S. Department of Treasury	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
United Healthcare	Insurers/Brokers	
United States Department of Labor	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
United States Internal Revenue Service	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
United States Treasury	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
Valley Forge Insurance Company	Insurers/Brokers	
Washington Securities Division	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
Wisconsin Department of Agriculture	Governmental and Taxing Authorities	
Young's Market Company, LLC	Material Vendors and Contract	
	Counterparties	

# EXHIBIT C

**Retention Agreement** 



# EPIQ CORPORATE RESTRUCTURING

#### STANDARD SERVICES AGREEMENT

This Standard Services Agreement is being entered into by and between the undersigned parties, referred to herein as "Epiq" and "Client" as of the Effective Date, as defined below. In consideration of the premises herein contained and of other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

#### **General Terms and Conditions**

#### 1. Services.

In accordance with the charges, terms and conditions contained in this agreement and in the schedule(s) attached hereto (collectively, the "Agreement"), Epiq agrees to furnish Client with the services set forth on the Services Schedule hereto (the "Services") in connection with a corporate restructuring. Services will be provided on an as needed basis and upon request or agreement of Client. Charges for the Services will be based on the pricing schedule provided to Client hereto (the "Pricing Schedule"). The Pricing Schedule sets forth individual unit pricing for each of the Services provided by Epiq and represents a bona fide proposal for that Service. Client may request separate Services or all of the Services reflected in the Pricing Schedule.

#### 2. Term.

This Agreement shall become effective on the date of its acceptance by both Epiq and Client; provided, however, Epiq acknowledges that Bankruptcy Court approval of its engagement may be required in order for Epiq to be engaged in a chapter 11 proceeding. The Agreement shall remain in effect until terminated: (a) by Client, on thirty (30) days' prior written notice to Epiq and, to the extent Epiq has been retained by Bankruptcy Court order, entry of an order of the Bankruptcy Court discharging Epiq; or (b) by Epiq, on ninety (90) days' prior written notice to Client and, to the extent Epiq has been retained by Bankruptcy Court order, entry of an order of the Bankruptcy Court discharging Epiq.

## 3. Charges.

- 3.1 For the Services and materials furnished by Epiq under this Agreement, Client shall pay the fees, charges and costs set forth in the Pricing Schedule subject to any previously agreed upon discount if applicable. Epiq will bill Client monthly. All invoices shall be due and payable upon receipt.
- 3.2 Epiq reserves the right to make reasonable increases to the unit prices, charges and professional service rates reflected in the Pricing Schedule on an annual basis effective January 2, 2023. If such annual increases exceed 10% from the prior year's level, Epiq shall provide sixty (60) days' prior written notice to Client of such proposed increases.



- 3.3 Client agrees to pay Epiq for all materials necessary for performance of the Services under this Agreement (other than computer hardware and software) and any reasonable out of pocket expenses including, without limitation, transportation, long distance communications, printing, photocopying, fax, postage and related items.
- 3.4 Client shall pay or reimburse all taxes applicable to services performed under this Agreement and, specifically, taxes based on disbursements made on behalf of Client, notwithstanding how such taxes may be designated, levied or based. This provision is intended to include sales, use and excise taxes, among other taxes, but is not intended to include personal property taxes or taxes based on net income of Epiq.
- 3.5 Client shall pay to Epiq any actual charges (including fees, costs and expenses as set forth in the Pricing Schedule) related to, arising out of or resulting from any Client error or omission. Such charges may include, without limitation, print or copy re-runs, supplies, long distance phone calls, travel expenses and overtime expenses for work chargeable at the rates set forth on the Pricing Schedule.
- 3.6 In the event of termination pursuant to Section 2 hereof, Client shall be liable for all amounts then accrued and/or due and owing to Epiq under the Agreement.
- 3.7 To the extent permitted by applicable law, Epiq shall receive a retainer in the amount of \$10,000 (the "Retainer") that may be held by Epiq as security for Client's payment obligations under the Agreement. The Retainer is due upon execution of this Agreement. Epiq shall be entitled to hold the Retainer until the termination of the Agreement. Following termination of the Agreement, Epiq shall return to Client any amount of the Retainer that remains following application of the Retainer to the payment of unpaid invoices.

### 4. Confidentiality.

Client data provided to Epiq during the term of this Agreement in connection with the Services ("Client Data") shall be maintained confidentially by Epiq in the same manner and to the same level as Epiq safeguards data relating to its own business; provided, however, that if Client Data is publicly available, was already in Epiq's possession or known to it, was required to be disclosed by law, was independently developed by Epiq without use or reference to any Client Data, or was rightfully obtained by Epiq from a third party, Epiq shall bear no responsibility for public disclosure of such data. Client agrees that Epiq shall not be liable for damages or losses of any nature whatsoever arising out of the unauthorized acquisition or use of any Client Data or other Client materials provided to Epiq in the performance of this Agreement.



#### 5. Title to Property.

Epiq reserves all property rights in and to all materials, concepts, creations, inventions, works of authorship, improvements, designs, innovations, ideas, discoveries, know-how, techniques, programs, systems and other information, including, without limitation, data processing programs, specifications, applications, processes, routines, sub-routines, procedural manuals and documentation furnished or developed by Epiq for itself or for use by Client (collectively, the "Property"). Charges paid by Client do not vest in Client any rights to the Property, it being expressly understood that the Property is made available to Client under this Agreement solely for Client's use during and in connection with each use of the Epiq equipment and services. Client agrees not to copy or permit others to copy any of the Property.

## 6. Disposition of Data.

- 6.1 Client is responsible for the accuracy of the programs and Client Data it provides or gives access to Epiq and for the output resulting from such data. Client shall initiate and maintain backup files that would allow Client to regenerate or duplicate all programs and Client Data which Client provides or gives access to Epiq. Client agrees, represents and warrants to Epiq that, prior to delivery of any Client Data to Epiq, it has full authority to deliver Client Data to Epiq. Client agrees, represents and warrants to Epiq that it has obtained binding consents, permits, licenses and approvals from all necessary persons, authorities or individuals, and has complied with all applicable policies, regulations and laws, required by Client, in order to allow Epiq to use all Client Data delivered to it in connection with its Services. Epiq shall not be liable for, and Client accepts full responsibility for, any liability or obligation with respect to Client Data prior to Epiq's receipt, including without limitation, any liability arising during the delivery of Client Data to Epiq.
- 6.2 Any Client Data, programs, storage media or other materials furnished by Client to Epiq in connection with this Agreement (collectively, the "Client Materials") may be retained by Epiq until the services provided pursuant to this Agreement are paid for in full, or until this Agreement is terminated with the services provided herein having been paid for in full. Client shall remain liable for all out of pocket charges incurred by Epiq under this Agreement as a result of any Client Materials maintained by Epiq. Epiq shall dispose of Client Materials in the manner requested by Client (except to the extent disposal may be prohibited by law). Client agrees to pay Epiq for reasonable expenses incurred as a result of the disposition of Client Materials. Epiq reserves the right to dispose of any Client Materials if this Agreement is terminated without Client's direction as to the return or disposal of Client Materials or Client has not paid all charges due to Epiq for a period of at least ninety (90) days; provided, however, Epiq shall provide Client with thirty (30) days' prior written notice of its intent to dispose of such data and media.

#### 7. Indemnification.

Client shall indemnify, defend and hold Epiq, its affiliates, parent, and each such entity's officers, members, directors, agents, representatives, managers, consultants and employees (each an "Indemnified Person") harmless from and against any and all losses, claims, damages, liabilities, costs



(including, without limitation, costs of preparation and attorneys' fees) and expenses as incurred (collectively, "Losses"), to which any Indemnified Person may become subject or involved in any capacity arising out of or relating to this Agreement or Epiq's rendering of services pursuant hereto, regardless of whether any of such Indemnified Persons is a party thereto, other than Losses resulting solely from Epiq's gross negligence or willful misconduct. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, "Losses" includes any liabilities resulting from claims by third persons against any Indemnified Person. Client and Epiq shall notify the other party in writing promptly of the commencement, institution, threat, or assertion of any claim, action or proceeding of which Client is aware with respect to the services provided by Epiq under this Agreement. Such indemnity shall remain in full force and effect regardless of any investigation made by or on behalf of Client, and shall survive the termination of this Agreement until the expiration of all applicable statutes of limitation with respect to Epiq's liabilities.

### 8. Limitation of Liability

NOTWITHSTANDING ANYTHING TO THE CONTRARY IN THIS AGREEMENT, THIS SECTION SHALL CONTROL.

- (a) EACH PARTY AND ITS RESPECTIVE AGENTS SHALL NOT HAVE ANY OBLIGATION OR LIABILITY TO THE OTHER PARTY OR TO ANY THIRD PARTY (WHETHER IN TORT, EQUITY, CONTRACT, WARRANTY OR OTHERWISE AND NOTWITHSTANDING ANY FAULT, NEGLIGENCE, PRODUCT LIABILITY, OR STRICT LIABILITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAW, RULE OR REGULATION) FOR ANY INDIRECT, GENERAL, PUNITIVE, INCIDENTAL, SPECIAL, OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO BUSINESS INTERRUPTION, LOST WAGES, BUSINESS OR PROFITS, OR LOSS OF DATA INCURRED BY CLIENT OR ANY OTHER PERSON, ARISING OUT OF RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, OR ANY USE, INABILITY TO USE OR RESULTS OF USE OF THE SERVICES OR SOFTWARE OR OTHERWISE, EVEN IF SUCH PARTY WAS ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES.
- (b) EPIQ SHALL NOT BE LIABLE TO CLIENT FOR ANY LOSSES REGARDLESS OF THEIR NATURE THAT ARE CAUSED BY OR RELATED TO A FORCE MAJEURE EVENT.
- (c) THE TOTAL LIABILITY OF EACH PARTY AND ITS AGENTS TO THE OTHER PARTY OR TO ANY THIRD PARTY FOR ALL LOSSES ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, OR THE SERVICES SHALL NOT EXCEED THE TOTAL AMOUNT PAID BY THE CLIENT TO EPIQ FOR THE PARTICULAR SERVICES WHICH GAVE RISE TO THE LOSSES IN THE IMMEDIATE SIX (6) MONTHS PRIOR TO THE DATE OF THE ACTION GIVING RISE TO THE ALLEGED LOSS.



## 9. Representations / Warranties.

Epiq makes no representations or warranties, express or implied, including, without limitation, any implied or express warranty of merchantability, suitability, fitness or adequacy for a particular purpose or use, quality, productiveness or capacity.

## 10. Confidential On-Line Workspace

Upon request of Client, Epiq shall be authorized to: (a) establish a confidential on-line workspace with an outside vendor in connection with the provision of its services to Client pursuant to this Agreement; and (b) with the consent of Client and/or its designees, publish documents and other information to such confidential workspace. By publishing documents and other information to this confidential workspace in accordance with the foregoing, Epiq shall not be considered in violation of any of the provisions of this Agreement, including, but not limited to, Section 4 (Confidentiality).

## 11. General

- 11.1 No waiver, alteration, amendment or modification of any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be binding upon either party unless signed in writing by a duly authorized representative of both parties.
- 11.2 This Agreement may not be assigned by Client without the express written consent of Epiq, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. The services provided under this Agreement are for the sole benefit and use of Client, and shall not be made available to any other persons.
- 11.3 This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York, without regard to that state's provisions for choice of law. Client and Epiq agree that any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the alleged breach thereof shall be settled by mandatory, final and binding arbitration before the American Arbitration Association in New York, New York and such arbitration shall comply with and be governed by the rules of the American Arbitration Association, provided that each party may seek interim relief in court as it deems necessary to protect its confidential information and intellectual property rights. Any arbitration award rendered pursuant to this provision shall be enforceable worldwide.
- 11.4 The parties hereto agree that this Agreement is the complete and exclusive statement of the agreement between the parties which supersedes all proposals or prior agreements, oral or written, and all other communications between the parties relating to the subject matter of this Agreement.
- 11.5 Client will use its best efforts to cooperate with Epiq at Client's facilities if any portion of the Services requires its physical presence thereon.
- 11.6 In no event shall Epiq's Services constitute or contain legal advice or opinion, and neither Epiq nor its personnel shall be deemed to practice law hereunder.



- 11.7 Except for Client's obligation to pay fees, expenses and charges hereunder when due, neither party shall be in default or otherwise liable for any delay in or failure of its performance under this Agreement to the extent such delay or failure arises by reason of any act of God, any governmental requirement, act of terrorism, riots, epidemics, flood, strike, lock-out, industrial or transportational disturbance, fire, lack of materials, war, event of force majeure, or other acts beyond the reasonable control of a performing party.
- 11.8 This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all of which shall constitute one and the same agreement.
- 11.9 All clauses and covenants in this Agreement are severable; in the event any or part of them are held invalid or unenforceable by any court, such clauses or covenants shall be valid and enforced to the fullest extent available, and this Agreement will be interpreted as if such invalid or unenforceable clauses or covenants were not contained herein. The parties are independent contractors and, except as expressly stated herein, neither party shall have any rights, power or authority to act or create an obligation on behalf of the other party.



11.10 Notices to be given or submitted by either party to the other, pursuant to this Agreement, shall be sufficiently given or made if given or made in writing and sent by hand delivery, overnight or certified mail, postage prepaid, and addressed as follows:

If to Epiq:

Epiq Corporate Restructuring, LLC 777 Third Avenue, 12th Floor New York, New York 10017

Attn: Brad Tuttle

If to Client:

Winc, Inc. c/o Brian Smith 1751 Berkeley Street, Studio 3 Santa Monica, CA 90404 email: brian@winc.com

With a copy to:

Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor, LLP c/o Matthew Lunn, Esq. and Allison Mielke, Esq. 1000 N. King Street Wilmington, DE 19807 email: mlunn@ycst.com amielke@ycst.com

1.11 Invoices sent to Clie	ent should be delivered to the follow	ing address:
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Email:	AP@winc.com	

11.12 The "Effective Date" of this Agreement is November 14, 2022.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first above written.

## EPIQ CORPORATE RESTRUCTURING, LLC

Name: Brad Tuttle

Title: Senior Managing Director and GM

CLIENT

Name: Brian Smith

Title: Chief Executive Officer



## SERVICES SCHEDULE

#### SCHEDULES/STATEMENT PREPARATION

- Assist the Debtors with administrative tasks in the preparation of their bankruptcy Schedules of Assets and Liabilities ("Schedules") and Statements of Financial Affairs ("Statements"), including (as needed):
  - Coordinate with the Client and its advisors regarding the Schedules and Statements process, requirements, timelines and deliverables.
  - Create and maintain databases for maintenance and formatting of Schedules and Statements data.
  - · Coordinate collection of data from Client and advisors.
  - Provide data entry and quality assurance assistance regarding Schedules and Statements, including, specifically, the creation of Schedule G.

#### **CLAIMS MANAGEMENT**

- Maintain copies of all proofs of claim and proofs of interest filed (in hard copy and electronic form).
- Provide a secure on-line tool through which creditors can file proofs of claim and related documentation, eliminating costly manual intake, processing and data entry of paper claims and ensuring maximum efficiency in the claim-filing process.
- ➤ Create and maintain electronic databases for creditor/party in interest information provided by the debtor (e.g., creditor matrix and Schedules of Statements of Assets and Liabilities) and creditors/parties in interest (e.g., proof of claim/interests).
- > Process all proof of claim/interest submitted.
- Provide access to the public for examination of copies of the proofs of claim or interest without charge during regular business hours.
- Maintain official claims registers, including, among other things, the following information for each proof of claim or proof of interest:
  - Name and address of the claimant and any agent thereof, if the proof of claim or proof of interest was filed by an agent;
  - Date received:
  - Claim number assigned; and
  - · Asserted amount and classification of the claim.



- Create and maintain a website with general case information, key documents, claim search function, and mirror of ECF case docket.
- > Transmit to the Clerk's office a copy of the claims registers on a monthly basis, unless requested by the Clerk's office on a more or less frequent basis or, in the alternative, make available the claims register on-line.
- Implement necessary security measures to ensure the completeness and integrity of the claims registers.
- ➤ Record all transfers of claims pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 3001(e) and provide notice of such transfers as required by Bankruptcy Rule 3001(e).
- Maintain an up-to-date mailing list for all entities that have filed a proof of claim, proof of interest or notice of appearance, which list shall be available upon request of a party in interest or the Clerk's office.

#### **NOTICING**

- ➤ Prepare and serve required notices in these Chapter 11 cases, including:
  - Notice of the commencement of these Chapter 11 cases and the initial meeting of creditors under section 341(a) of the Bankruptcy Code;
  - Notice of any auction sale hearing:
  - Notice of the claims bar date;
  - Notice of objection to claims;
  - Notice of any hearings on a disclosure statement and confirmation of the plan of reorganization; and
  - Other miscellaneous notices to any entities, as the debtor or the Court may deem necessary or appropriate for an orderly administration of these Chapter 11 cases.
- After service of a particular notice whether by regular mail, overnight or hand delivery, email or facsimile service file with the Clerk's office an affidavit of service that includes a copy of the notice involved, a list of persons to whom the notice was mailed and the date and manner of mailing.
- Update claim database to reflect undeliverable or changed addresses.



- Coordinate publication of certain notices in periodicals and other media.
- Distribute Claim Acknowledgement Cards to creditor having filed a proof of claim/interest.

#### BALLOTING/TABULATION

- ➤ Provide balloting services in connection with the solicitation process for any chapter 11 plan for which a disclosure statement has been approved by the court, including (as needed):
  - Consult with Client and its counsel regarding timing issues, voting and tabulation procedures, and documents needed for the vote.
  - Review of voting-related sections of the voting procedures motion, disclosure statement and ballots for procedural and timing issues.
  - Assist in obtaining information regarding members of voting classes, including lists of holders of bonds from DTC and other entities (and, if needed, assist Client in requesting these listings).
  - Coordinate distribution of solicitation documents.
  - Respond to requests for documents from parties in interest, including brokerage firm and bank back-offices and institutional holders.
  - Respond to telephone inquiries from lenders, bondholders and nominees regarding the disclosure statement and the voting procedures.
  - Receive and examine all ballots and master ballots cast by voting parties. Date- stamp the originals of all such ballots and master ballots upon receipt.
  - Tabulate all ballots and master ballots received prior to the voting deadline in accordance with established procedures, and prepare a certification for filing with the court.

Undertake such other duties as may be requested by the Client.

#### CALL CENTER

- > Provide state-of-the-art Call Center facility and services, including (as needed):
  - Create frequently asked questions, call scripts, escalation procedures and call log formats.
  - · Record automated messaging.
  - Train Call Center staff.
  - Maintain and transmit call log to Client and advisors.



## **CALL CENTER RATES**

Standard Call Center Setup

NO CHARGE

Call Center Operator

\$55 per hour

Voice Recorded Message

\$0.34 per minute

## OTHER SERVICES RATES

Custom Software, Workflow and Review Resources

Quoted at time of request

Strategic Communication Services

Quoted at time of request

**Escrow Services** 

Quoted at time of request /competitive rates

Exchange / ATOP Event

Quoted at time of request

eDiscovery

Quoted at time of request, bundled pricing available

Virtual Data Room --

Confidential On-Line Workspace

Quoted at time of request

Disbursements -- Check and/or Form 1099

Quoted at time of request

Disbursements -- Record to Transfer Agent

Quoted at time of request



## **MISCELLANEOUS**

- > Provide such other claims processing, noticing and related administrative services as may be requested from time to time by the Client.
- Promptly comply with such further conditions and requirements as the Court may at any time prescribe.
- > Comply with applicable federal, state, municipal, and local statutes, ordinances, rules, regulations, orders and other requirements.
- > Provide temporary employees to the Clerk's Office to process claims, as necessary.



## PRICING SCHEDULE

## **CLAIM ADMINISTRATION HOURLY RATES**

Rates Title Clerical/Administrative Support \$25.00 - \$55.00 \$55.00 - \$75.00 IT / Programming \$75.00 - \$175.00 Case Managers \$150.00 - \$175.00 Consultants/ Directors/Vice Presidents \$175.00 Solicitation Consultant \$195.00 Executive Vice President, Solicitation No Charge Executives

## CLAIMS AND NOTICING RATES1

Printing \$0.10 per image

Personalization / Labels WAIVED

Envelopes VARIES BY SIZE

Postage / Overnight Delivery AT COST AT PREFERRED RATES

E-Mail Noticing WAIVED FOR MSL\*

Fax Noticing \$0.05 per page

Claim Acknowledgement Letter \$0.05 per letter

Publication Noticing Quoted at time of request

#### **DATA MANAGEMENT RATES**

Data Storage, Maintenance and Security \$0.10 per record/month

Electronic Imaging \$0.10 per image; no monthly storage charge

Website Hosting Fee NO CHARGE

CD- ROM (Mass Document Storage) Quoted at time of request

## **ON-LINE CLAIM FILING SERVICES**

On-Line Claim Filing NO CHARGE

Noticing via overnight delivery after traditional overnight drop-off times (e.g., 9:00 p.m. in NYC) may result in additional print charges.

<sup>\*</sup>Quoted at time of request for high volume blasts to all creditors